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REQUEST FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time to respond to the Advisory Action, from November 6, 2004 to January 6, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee of \$450.00, as well as any deficiencies, and credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

Respectfully submitted,

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